

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-24698-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision:- 13.8.2018

Manvinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Ishan Singh Cooner, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, AAG, Haryana.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered against him vide FIR No.11 dated 27.1.2018, under Sections 406, 420, 506 IPC, Police Station Naggal, District Ambala.

The FIR was registered at the instance of Joginder Pal and Rajan wherein it is alleged that Bhola @ Major induced them for investing huge amount in a scheme where the returns were stated to be three times the invested amount and that being taken in by the said representation the complainants invested an amount of ₹5 lacs and in return thereof they were handed over a bag which was stated to be containing ₹15 lacs but subsequently when the complainants checked the same, it was found that the bag contained wads of currency notes of denomination of ₹100/- but only the top most and bottom most currency notes in the wads were genuine currency notes whereas other in between them were just papers. It is further the case of complainants that at the time of handing over the amount, four

unknown persons were also present in the car of Bhola @ Major. It is the case of prosecution that upon a disclosure statement made by Bhola @ Major, the name of the present petitioner figured.

Notice of motion was issued to the respondent.

The learned State counsel has informed that during the disclosure statement, it has surfaced that an amount of ₹50,000/- had been handed over to the present petitioner and that out of said amount, an amount of ₹10,000/- had been recovered and remaining ₹40,000/- is yet to be recovered.

It has been informed by learned State counsel, that the petitioner has since joined the investigation.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances and also bearing in mind the fact that it is the co-accused Bhola @ Major who is the main accused and was named in the FIR and the allegation against the present petitioner is in respect of an amount of ₹50,000/- only and that too on the basis of disclosure statement only and also that he has already joined the investigation, in my opinion it is a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail. The petition is as such accepted and interim directions issued vide order dated 1.6.2018 are made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner would appear before the Investigating Officer as and when directed and would fully cooperate with the investigation.

August 13, 2018

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(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No